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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/801,684  
Applicants: Hisanori KAWAURA, et al.  
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS THAT CHECKS  
AUTHENTICITY OF AN UPDATE PROGRAM  
Group Art Unit: 2186

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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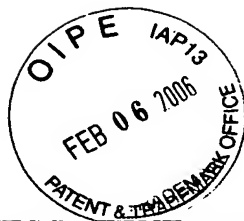
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Sir:

The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the  
approximate date a first Official Action will be issued in this Application.

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